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Emergency Management Training Course Announcement

The Indiana Department of Homeland Security will present the following course:

MASS FATALITIES INCIDENT MANAGEMENT

FEMA course # G386

Who Should Attend?

This course is designed for a wide audience, encompassing all personnel who would have a role in mass fatality incident response. Coroners, medical examiners, funeral directors, emergency management personnel, first response agencies (fire, law enforcement, emergency medical services, 911 dispatchers and communication center personnel etc.), volunteer disaster agencies, hospital personnel and mental health professionals will benefit from this course.

Course Description

Mass fatality incidents necessitate the need for a highly coordinated response. Emergency response personnel often deal with fatalities in the course of their normal duties, however, it is important for response personnel to understand the sights, sounds, and smells they will encounter in responding to a mass fatality incident. Even the most experienced and harden responders can become overwhelmed at the devastation often associated with a mass fatality incident. This training is designed to provide response personnel at all levels with the tools to prepare for a mass fatality incident and to develop a plan to manage the incident scene. This **3 day course** will also help mentally prepare responders when these incidents occur as well as define the roles and responsibilities of the various local, state, and federal agencies involved in the response efforts.

At the end of this course, the students should be able to assess the local Mass Fatalities Annex to determine their jurisdictions' preparedness for a mass fatalities incident; describe the critical operational activities: notification, staging, search and recovery, morgue operations, media relations, and family assistance; explain how a Family Assistance Center is used to support families and to aid identification of the deceased; identify the requirements to ensure that the psychological needs of mass fatalities responders are addressed; recognize the importance of Critical Incident Stress Debriefings for responders at a mass fatalities incident; identify the resources that are available at the local, State, and Federal levels during a mass fatalities incident; apply the principles of ICS in response to a simulated incident.

Students in this course will be required to participate in a realistic, hands-on exercise. ***The exercise will be conducted outdoors regardless of weather conditions and is several hours in duration. You may get dirty during the field exercise so please dress appropriately.***

Prerequisite: All students must have successfully completed Incident Command System 100, 200, and 800 and be prepared to submit proof of completion upon registering for the Mass Fatalities course. These courses can be taken online at <http://training.fema.gov/EMIWeb/IS/crslist.asp>.

Administrative Information

The course will be conducted on **August 21-23, 2007 at the Emergency Management Training Center located at Grissom Aeroplex, Peru, Indiana.** Student sign in will begin at 8:30am with the course scheduled from 9:00am to 6:00pm each day with a one-hour break for lunch.

There is no charge for attending this course however, students will be responsible for their own travel and meals. Refreshments will be provided. The Emergency Management Training Academy will provide lodging through direct billing arrangements with the Hampton Inn and Suites, Edinburgh, Indiana. To reserve your hotel room, please call 812-526-5100 and let them know you are with the Indiana Department of Homeland Security. **We have a block of rooms that will only be held until August 13th.** No lodging is provided for students residing within 50 miles of the training location. Participants who live over 50 miles from the training location are eligible for overnight lodging for courses which are more than one day in length. *Only those participants who reside 75 miles or more from the training location are entitled to lodging the night before a course.*

To register, please complete a training application which can be found at <http://www.in.gov/dhs/training/>. Upon completion of the training application, please forward it to this office per the instructions indicated on the form. Class size is limited and you will be notified via email of your acceptance in the course. **Registration is due by August 13th** to allow time for the preparation of course materials.

Please circulate this training announcement to members of your emergency response community and other agencies, organizations or individuals having a role in emergency or disaster response.

If you have any questions concerning this course or to register please contact Denise Clarke at (317) 234-4286 or declarke@dhs.in.gov or you may fax applications to 317-234-0736.

Professionally,

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